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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 638
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A RESOLUTION to honor Catherine Plumlee, 2000 Salutatorian
of Springfield High School.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that this General Assembly should honor those individuals who through their natural talents and unflagging commitment have achieved excellence in their academic careers; and

WHEREAS, Catherine Plumlee is one such outstanding student who has distinguished herself as Salutatorian of the 2000 graduating class at Springfield High School; and

WHEREAS, through long hours of diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and untiring commitment of time and talent, Catherine has achieved extraordinary academic success, and has joined the ranks of the elite students of Tennessee and our nation; and

WHEREAS, in her laudable high school career, Catherine has maintained an exceptional grade point average of 3.979, and will most surely continue this pattern of academic excellence at the University of the South, in Sewanee, where she will matriculate as an undergraduate student this fall; and

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WHEREAS, Catherine 's lengthy list of extracurricular activities reflects her intellectual prowess and inner drive; and

WHEREAS, she has rendered meritorious service as a member of the Government Club, serving as its treasurer in 1999; and

WHEREAS, she is also admired and respected as contributor to and editor of the Yellow Jacket Paper; and

WHEREAS, exhibiting a gregarious personality, Catherine is highly valued by her colleagues with whom she attended the State Youth Legislature from 1997-1999; and

WHEREAS, widely recognized for her many talents and abilities, Catherine takes pride in her many accomplishments and academic achievements, especially her membership in her school's chapter of the National Honor Society, which she served as Historian in 1999; and

WHEREAS, Catherine has also been honored with numerous awards in recognition of her academic achievement, including the Stinger Award (1997, 1998 and 1999), and she has been selected as a Tennessee Honors Scholar; and

WHEREAS, a young lady of humanitarian conviction, Catherine Plumlee has volunteered at the Nashville Union Mission and Vacation Bible School, has participated in canned food drives, has provided gift baskets for nursing home residents, and has delivered Thanksgiving and Christmas meals to the needy over the course of the past several years; and

WHEREAS, her noteworthy achievement is a great source of pride for her parents, George and Donna Plumlee; and

WHEREAS, above and beyond her academic and social commitments, Catherine is the epitome of the academic excellence to be found among the youth of this great state and nation; and

WHEREAS, Catherine Plumlee's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we hereby honor and congratulate Catherine Plumlee on being the 2000 Salutatorian at Springfield High School and wish her well in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.